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THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION

1. The wartime T/O strength of the 12th Guards Mechanized Division is 14,500. The peacetime T/O is set at 6,500, but the average strength during my tour of duty was approximately 9,000. This larger number of 9,000 is due to the inclusion of rotating draftees. Although the unit is not equipped at full wartime strength the equipment is available in supply depots.

2. [] the average strength of a mechanized division inside the USSR is virtually the same as the 12th Mechanized Division at Brest; that is, a wartime T/O of 14,500, peacetime T/O of 6,500, and an actual strength of approximately 9,000. The T/O for an infantry division is the same as for a mechanized division. A tank division has a wartime strength of approximately 8,000 and a peacetime T/O of about 5,300. The present strength, however, is approximately 5,000 - 6,300.

3. [redacted]
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[redacted] the figure of 9,000 is approximate since the actual number of men during my tour of duty with the division fluctuated around the 9,000 level. [redacted] for divisions other than the 12th Guards Mechanized Division are estimates, [redacted] T/O's for other units. [redacted] for a tank division are based on familiarity with the tank regiment T/O and general knowledge of the rest of the division.

4. [] divisions deep within the USSR have approximately the same strength as those on the borders. The reason is that all divisions bear an equitable burden of training.

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